

Mapam, Ahdut Undecided

The public is invited.

Social & Personal

The President yesterday received Mr. Elmer Gross, compiler of the new Hebrew-Franco dictionary, a copy of which he presented to the President.

The Minister of Finance, Mr. Levi Eshkol, yesterday received Dr. Y. Teller, President of the United Israel Appeal in Switzerland, and Mr. David Ross, the American leader.

The Minister of Commerce and Industry, Mr. Pinhas Sapir, yesterday received Mr. Joseph Schindler, Director of the Ministry of Education, and Mr. David Tsvang, Chairman of the Keren Hayesod in Britain.

A delegation of 20 leaders of the Joint Palestine Appeal in Britain were guests of the Keren Hayesod Executive at Beit Shalom in Jerusalem on Saturday. The delegation was headed by Mr. Sidney Belman, Chairman of the J.P.A. and was accompanied by Mr. David Tsvang, Chairman of the Keren Hayesod in Britain.

Professor and Mrs. J. J. Rivlin gave a reception on Saturday evening at their home in Jerusalem on the occasion of the 75th birthday of Prof. Ostfeld Well, Director of the Hebrew University and National Library.

Among those present were members of the Oriental Languages Department of the Hebrew University; members of the Board of the Yeshurun Synagogue, whose library and reading room were founded by Prof. Well, and veteran Zionists from Germany.

The Rabbi of Strasbourg, Rabbi Deutsch, on Friday visited the Shalom House in Jerusalem, accompanied by his wife and son.

Rina Nihora gave a reception at her home on Saturday in honor of Mrs. Selig Brodetsky. Friends of the family, university professors and their wives were among the guests.

Mr. Max Spitz, of Pétoures, has been elected Life President of the Israel Branch of the Kibbutz Movement, whose membership consists of leaders in the travel and tourist business.

Mr. Beven Barkat, head of the Political Department of the Histadrut, will speak on "The Role of the Histadrut" under the auspices of the Jerusalem Branch of the Association of American and Canadian in Israel at the Israel Club, whose membership consists of leaders in the travel and tourist business.

Dr. S. Eisenstadt, Associate Prof. of Sociology in the Hebrew University, will lecture on "Politics and Political Struggle in Bureaucratic Societies" under the auspices of the Israel Historical Society at the Hebrew University, at Beit Hillel, Rehov Hailour, Jerusalem, tonight at 8.30.

Dr. A. Rabin, of the University of Durham, England, will speak on "The Concept of Man and the Goal of Spiritual Life" in the fourth of a series of five lectures under the auspices of the Hebrew University, in the Lecture Room of the Humanities Building (Room 5) on the University campus, today at 8 p.m.

Mr. Moshe Hagan will speak on "Methods of Determining Salaries" at the Kishon Rotary Club, Kiryat Hailik, today at 1.30 p.m.

The Consumers Association's Haifa Branch will hold a symposium on "Cleanliness and Hygiene in Food Shops and Groceries" under Health Ministry auspices at the Journalists Club, 23 Rehov Jerusalem, Haifa, tonight at 8.30.

The Annual Bazaar and Dance of the Anti-Tuberculosis League will be held at the Beit Shalom Hotel tomorrow night. A Fashion Show in aid of the League will be presented at the hotel by "Mastik" on Wednesday.

A memorial service for Mr. Haim Shalom and David Sprinck, who fell in the defense of Tel Aviv during the War of Independence, will be held today at 11 a.m. at the Avraham Memorial in the Gan Atzmaut, Tel Aviv.

Five Beduin Held For Border Crossings

BEERSHEBA, Sunday. — Five Beduin have been arrested in connection with illegal crossings of the border. A 45-year-old man of the Abu Raghib tribe reported an Arab who had crossed the border into Israel, was arrested a few days ago. The woman was arrested and released on bail.

The Military Government on Friday arrested a 35-year-old Beduin of the Abu Raghib tribe. The man had illegally left Israel four years ago for Jordan and returned a few days ago.

An 18-year-old Beduin woman from Jordan and an 11-year-old boy who crossed illegally into the country, were arrested when found with the Abu Raghib tribe, together with a 21-year-old Beduin of the tribe who had given them shelter.

SATURDAY NIGHT cinema shows in Haifa will begin at 8 and 10 p.m. in cinema affiliated to the Union of Israel Cinema, following an agreement between the Union and the Tel Aviv Haifa.

U.S. Plans 'Small Slice' Arms Cut

WASHINGTON, Sunday (UP). — The new "first step" disarmament plan under discussion with Russia calls for a "small slice arms cut" involving missiles, ships, tanks and atomic bombs. Any increase in U.S. or Soviet nuclear armaments would be subject to a similar reduction in the other's armaments. The plan would also provide that weapons taken out of U.S. or Soviet stockpiles would be delivered to international disarmament depots which would be under careful supervision. Some details of the plan now being considered by the U.S. are disclosed in a report by the U.S. State Department, dated May 26.

Senate Backing

Any agreement for arms reductions or setting up an aerial ground inspection zone would have to be presented to the Senate for approval. Some members, including the Senate Republican Leader, Mr. William F. Knowland, have voiced doubts. However, chances are the pact would be approved.

Mr. Stassen, who returns to London today for further U.N. disarmament talks, told a Senate Foreign Relations Sub-Committee the negotiations are aimed at a "first step" agreement for a small slice cut in weapons.

It was said that atomic and hydrogen bombs would not be covered in this first step agreement. Other major arms, including nuclear bombs, would be reduced in number. No precise formula for reducing major arms has been established. But officials at the London talks attended by the U.S., Russia, Britain, France and Canada, have been talking in terms of 10 to 15 per cent cuts.

The U.S. believes that West Germany would wish to join any international "first step" disarmament pact.

In London, informed sources said resumption of work by the U.N. Disarmament Sub-Committee due tomorrow for reducing major arms would be completed in Washington. Other Western delegations may wish to time the current U.S. stand-point.

Communists Outlawed In Philippines

MANILA, Sunday (UP). — The Philippine Senate outlawed the Communist Party last week and prescribed death for party organizers and leaders.

The Senate passed the controversial bill just 15 minutes before the midnight adjournment deadline. It was sponsored by Senator Emmanuel Pelaez. The bill was passed by a vote of 12-1.

The measure outlaws the Communist Party, prescribes imprisonment for members and death for party organizers and leaders.

The bill, center of some two months of legislative wrangling, was somewhat watered down from the original law that the late President Maguiness's administration drew up.

The anti-Communist bill was strongly supported by the close advisers of the late President, the armed forces and the constabulary and intelligence chiefs. It met opposition from some lawmakers who considered that the measures were too broad and could possibly threaten basic freedoms in the Philippines.

University Appointments

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ON THE AIR

FIRST PROGRAMME

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Zionist Prisoners In Rumania Said Released

LONDON, Sunday (INA). — Dr. Moses Rosen, Chief Rabbi of Rumania, said on Friday that most of the Zionist leaders imprisoned in Rumania have now been released. Rabbi Rosen is the Chief Rabbi of an Iron Curtain country to visit England. He said that others who wished to do so would have "reason to hope" for permission.

Rabbi Rosen discredited reports that a list has been placed on Rumania of Rumanian Jews with families in Israel, but explained that Rumania has been slow down by the "international effects" of the campaign.

Talking of the religious and educational organization of Rumanian Jewry, he said that subsidies were received from the Government and that these were bolstered by direct taxes on kosher meat and other Jewish foods.

Seventy to eighty per cent of Jewish children in Transylvania receive a Jewish education, and there are four Talmud Torahs in Bucharest.

Rabbi Rosen also told of the State school in Bucharest providing education in the Yiddish language and of State kitchens for elderly and all persons, serving kosher food.

The Chief Rabbi said that a Yiddish and Hebrew periodical issued by the Rumanian community had a circulation of 5,000.

Order Limits Fees In Restitution Cases

Lawyer's fees for handling claims for restitution from West Germany from persons whose studies were interrupted or whose freedom was denied under the Nazi regime may not exceed 10 per cent of the value of the claim, the German authorities, according to an administrative order published in *Bundesgesetzblatt* last week by the Minister of Justice.

The maximum fee is 12 per cent in cases where the heirs are the claimants. The order also specifies that the fee for arranging a rehabilitation loan from the West German Government may not exceed two per cent.

The maximum lawyer's fee established by law is 15 per cent, and is applicable in cases where the claims are for property restitution or other involved matters.

Eitanim May Be Mental Hospital

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Negotiations are now proceeding with a view to transforming the Eitanim mental hospital into a psychiatric hospital.

According to Ministry of Health sources, the change depends on whether Malben can absorb more patients by increasing the capacity of its hospital at Beer Ya'acov and reopening tuberculosis wards at Pardes.

These facilities had been reduced in recent years with the sharp decline of tuberculosis incidence in Israel. While no exact statistics are available on the number of infected persons among the new immigrants, recent months have brought an increase in demand for beds.

Ministry sources state, therefore, that the Government would not transform the Eitanim hospital unless increased facilities for chest diseases are made available elsewhere.

THREE WIN ENGEL MUSIC PRIZES

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — The 12th Engel Prize for Music was awarded at the Municipal Museum on Thursday to Menahem Avraham, Shlomo Yafet, and Sarah Levi-Tannai.

Mr. Avraham received the prize for his Fourth Symphony, Shlomo Yafet for his Concerto for Violin and Orchestra, and Sarah Levi-Tannai for her "Lullaby Song."

Locker Honoured By British Zionists

Berl Locker's 15 years of tireless political work on behalf of the Jewish Agency in London were recalled yesterday when representatives of the British Zionist Federation called on the veteran Labour Zionist at his home in Jerusalem. They were adding their tributes to the many already paid on the occasion of his seventeenth birthday.

Mr. Ernest Frankel, Assistant Treasurer of the British Zionist Federation, presented Mr. Locker with an inscribed silver salver on behalf of the Executive of the Federation.

He recalled the leading role Mr. Locker had played in the negotiations for the Balfour Declaration and the League of Nations Mandate for Palestine.

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Desert Storms Damage Electric Cables

BEERSHEBA, Sunday. — Repairs of the electric company have been working overtime lately repairing the depredations of a community of storms which have their nests in the vicinity of Mishmar HaNegev.

Every day some of these storms, flying low over the desert, bring down the electric cables and break them, thereby electrocuting themselves.

ORDER ISSUED ON DRAFT PROTEST

The High Court on Thursday issued an order calling on the Minister of Defence, the Commander of the Defence Forces Induction Centre and the Director of the Jerusalem Draft Board to show cause why Avraham Hayat should not be released from regular army service.

Hayat claimed through his advocate, Mr. H. Narkis, that when he came to Israel from Iraq in 1950, he was over 20 and therefore liable for reserve duty only.

In spite of this, he claims, he was ordered by the Jerusalem Draft Board to present himself for regular service, and when he refused to do so, he was detained by police.

There he was asked to sign a series of documents, some of which gave his date of birth as 1928. This incorrect birthdate in the Jerusalem Draft Board has legally been corrected to 1920 by the Haifa District Court.

When the appellant refused to accept military equipment as a regular soldier, he was thrown into jail where, he claims, a sergeant-major beat him until he fainted.

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Gibson Ousts Hoad In French Games

PARIS, Sunday (Reuter). — Neil Gibson, an unranked 25-year-old Australian, provided the biggest upset in post-war international tennis, when he beat Lew Hoad, the world's No. 1 amateur, 2-6, 3-6, 6-4, 6-4, 6-4 in the third round of the French International Championships, held on Thursday.

The organizers of the championships thought so little of his qualities, that they made him qualify last week. Gibson's match-winning weapon was his two-handed backhand, with which he reeled off searing passing shots against Hoad, who was unaccountably never coming to the net against the strokes.

Hoad, 22, was out of action for three weeks with an injury in the Australian championships in January. Since his arrival in Europe last month, the Australian has been struggling to reach his peak.

Before in a series of tournaments, he looked to be coming into form when he won the Austrian title in Vienna last week-end.

Later yesterday, Belgian Philippe Washer, a 19-year-old amateur, eliminated the Australian champion, who took over the mantle of favourite, after Hoad's shock defeat, was on the brink of losing himself against the great Italian, Orlando Sirola.

Sirola, who was unseeded, led 5-4 in the fifth set with his own service, and two double faults wrecked his chances of an upset. Cooper, after missing two match points in the 10th game, clinched the matter at the next attempt and won, 6-4, 6-4, 6-4, 6-4, 6-4.

Australian left-hander, Murray Rose, and the American right-hander, Arthur Ashe, also took part in the tournament. Rose led 3 sets to 1 against Karl Nielsen, the unseeded Dane, but lost the fourth set, 6-4, 6-4, 6-4, 6-4, 6-4.

The best win of the day was accomplished by Patty, who lives in Paris and is always popular with the crowds here. She received a great cheer from a packed centre court by recovering, after losing the first two sets, 6-4, 6-4, 6-4, 6-4, 6-4.

Don Candy, and winning the next three, 6-4, 6-4, 6-4, 6-4, 6-4.

Candy led 5-4 and went to match point in the third set, but a close sideline decision in Patty's favour by the referee saved the American, and he continued himself to win a narrow win.

"KIDNAPPER" OF OWN SON ARRESTED

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At the Cinema

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The time is the middle of the last World War and we follow the misadventures of Private Windrush (Ian Carmichael) who is up straight out of the university and is completely overwhelmed by life outside his chaste walls. Little by little he learns what it is all about, one of his mentors being a bright lad, whose description of the British Railway System is a gem in itself, in the same unit, and the other being a "Gee" flat uncle. Uncle gets the notion of using army personnel to get hold of German art treasures for sale on the London market and how the plan is worked out and executed in a very funny indeed.

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Today's Postbag

The Weather

FORECAST: Slight rise in temperature	A	B	C	D
Jerusalem	68	72	78	82
Tel Aviv	68	72	78	82
Haifa	68	72	78	82
Beersheba	68	72	78	82
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ARRIVALS

Chief Haim Laskov, Southern Commander from a U.S. mission in the U.S. Mr. Meir Grossman of the Jewish Agency Executive, from Europe (both by El Al).

Prof. A. Tartakover, Chairman of the World Jewish Congress, after participating in the W.J.C. delegation which visited Poland last month (by T.W.A.).

DEPARTURES

Mr. F. Leibovitch, Secretary of the Israel Publishers Association, for Naples to attend the convention of the World Federation of Publishers of Daily Newspapers (by El Al).

Seven health inspectors and nurses of various health institutions for Rome to attend the International Conference of Nurses (by L.A.I.).

A NUMBER of forestry students from Turkey and the Netherlands have arrived in Israel to study developments in forestry. They and more are expected, the Ministry of Agriculture announces.

BARCLAYS BANK, D.C.O., has declared an interim dividend of 4% payable on June 16 and subject to income tax of 8%.

THE ANNUAL bazaar, organized by the Government hospital for lung diseases in Nazareth, the anti-T.B. League and the local YMCA opened at the hospital yesterday.

ELECTIONS to the Hadar Ramatayim local council will take place on July 7.

BA'ANANA CITRUS GROWERS decided on Thursday at a meeting attended by Mr. S. Dubiner, to join the newly formed "Israel Citrus Growers Association," the Association for Selling Citrus.

FOR SELLING ten containing sand and stones, Yishak Shalom, 29, of the Tel Aviv Haifa quarter, was yesterday sentenced to 10 months in prison.

OVER 200 immigrant families have been absorbed in the moshav movement during the last six months, Mr. Y. Korn, its secretary, told the movement's executive yesterday.

Bachelors Protest

Cramped Living-room

ELIAT, Sunday. — A demonstration was held by bachelors this evening outside the Local Council offices in protest against the decision of Amichai to cancel contracts for building new houses for bachelors who are among the oldest-established settlers, and who are waiting their turn for a room in a housing scheme.

The bachelors, who have paid for the housing they were to receive, were annoyed by Amichai's decision to provide one room for two men, with the remaining rooms to be handed over to Elit workers organizations which are anxious to house families. The bachelors claim that the rooms were promised them three years ago, that they were among the first settlers to arrive here, and that they cannot agree to being cramped in pairs in small rooms.

The Acting Chairman of the Local Council, Mr. Y. Shapir, told them that the Council would do all in its power to reverse Amichai's decision.

To Elit in 4 Hours

When Road Completed

Work has now begun on asphaltting the entire length of the central Negov road. At present, the asphalt surface is laid from Beersheba a certain distance southwards and from Elit to Timna. When completed by the beginning of winter, a car should be able to cover the entire distance from Beersheba to Elit within four hours.

Meanwhile, a new road is being laid from Timna to the Red Sea. The road will be blasted through the rocks. Ultimately it will be extended through the central Negov to Wadi Ghazal. The contractors are Haim Ben-David and Haim Ben-David.

Olivia and Dov Palan

Invited relatives and friends to the Brith Milah

of their infant son at 11 a.m. on Sunday, May 27, 1957, at Elit Hospital, Haifa. This is the only institution.

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Haifa Gets IL15.4m. Austerity Budget

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Sunday. — This city's proposed IL15.4m. budget for 1957-58 has a lot of post-war austerity. When Deputy Mayor Evi Barzilai (Adnat HaAvoda) laid it before the Municipal Council this evening, he explained that, though IL15.4m. is bigger than last year's, the budget is barely sufficient to maintain services in a period of rising costs and wages and declining financial contributions by the Government.

"In the past three years, the financial of local authorities have worsened: higher costs and the need for expanding services contrast with the inability of the citizens to pay higher rates," Mr. Barzilai said. The Government's share in the budgets of education, culture, health, social welfare and region was inadequate, he claimed. Its contribution towards education, for example, covered teachers' salaries only, that for culture and for health 45 per cent. A mere 10 per cent of the city's IL15.4m. social welfare expenditure came from the Government.

The budget was based on a sober estimate of revenue and expenditure; on efficiency and economy; and on the maintenance of existing services. To achieve this, the staff had been reduced from 425 to 370, and the number of workers from 1,070 to 1,000, and that despite the increase in laying roads, sidewalks and public gardens, and in building school rooms, kindergartens, etc.

Administrative costs had been pruned. While last year wages and salaries were IL8.5m. out of a total expenditure, they would be only IL7.5m. this year. Collection of rates and taxes had also improved. Total revenue ran to IL10.7m. which is IL4.7m. more than the estimate.

Tel Aviv to Step Up Anti-Rat Fight

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — The city's campaign against rats will be intensified this year, Deputy Mayor A. Boyer told tonight's Municipal Council meeting.

New equipment and poison gases would be used to rid the town of rats. He pointed out that the incidence of rat-plagues in Tel Aviv had dropped from 264 cases in 1951 to 50 in 1956.

Mayor Haim Levonson expressed the hope that he would be able to submit the Municipal Budget to the City Executive before leaving for the International Mayors Congress in The Hague next week.

In answer to a request by Mr. Y. Yambor (Mapam) for an official investigation into the suicide of the Cantor Y. Fish, the Mayor said that the city could not interfere in the affairs of the Great Synagogue.

Porch Chimes Chime Posters Offensive

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The appearance of pictures of actress and film actresses on posters of the city was sharply criticized by Rabbi Meir Porush (Agudat Yisrael) at last night's Municipal Council meeting.

Such advertisements, he noted, were both a disgrace to the city and an offense to Orthodox Jews. He called upon the Municipality to take steps to see that only fully dressed women appear in printed cinema advertisements.

Mrs. Sarah Ashbel (WIZO) remarked that the posters posted by the Orthodox groups calling on the daughters of Jerusalem to dress in "Eretz Yisrael" fashion or be considered "unclothed" were just as offensive.

Eilat Plane Shortage Benefits Visitors

Jerusalem Post Reporter

ELIAT, Sunday. — Tourists on day-trips to Elit will now be able to spend two hours touring the Elit region instead of the previous five hours following the arrangement in the flight schedules entailed by the departure of the chartered Dakota last Friday. The remaining two hours will be used to make three round trips daily, starting at 7 a.m. One day excursionists will have to spend double the time in Elit before returning.

Meanwhile, the Public Works Department is using motor-graders to smooth out the dusty rutted road leading to the canal race and bathing beaches. When the job is completed, tourists will have easier access to the seashore.

Gift for J.N.F. From Soviet Prison Camp

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A Polish Jew, an inmate of a Soviet prison camp, has sent a 120 ruble (IL54) contribution to the Jewish National Fund through a fellow prisoner who was released and made his way to Israel as an immigrant.

The newcomer, a Russian Jew who had been imprisoned for Zionist activity, showed up at the J.N.F. Head Office in Jerusalem a few days ago. He related that during his incarceration he had met a Polish Jew, a pro-war "Bundist" who had lately come to regard Zionism as the only salvation to the Jewish people.

The Poles, whose release is not expected for some time, gave 120 rubles to the inmate on the eve of the latter's release, when he heard that he was bound for Israel. He asked him to donate it to the J.N.F. as "a token of my change of heart with regard to Eretz-Israel."

Rogovin: Rayon Plant 'Bound to Succeed'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

LYDIA AIRPORT, Sunday. — Having chosen and dedicated the site of a rayon plant, Mr. Israel Rogovin left today (by L.A.I.) after a fortnight's visit.

"I hope I'll succeed in my project here; I'm doing everything in such a way that it must succeed," he declared before leaving. He said he expected to return in two or three months, when the building plans for the Ashdod Yam plant are complete.

He was seen off by Mr. O. Ben-Ami, Mayor of Natanya; Rabbi H. Mintz, Deputy Speaker of the Knesset; and M. J. Glickman, Director-General of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.

Speeding Bond Drive For Israel Housing

NEW YORK, Sunday (G.N.A.). — The Israel Bond Organization today launched an intensified campaign in response to a request by the Israel Government for support of the 1956 programme to build 20,000 housing units for new immigrants.

The heightened effort was launched at a meeting of the Board of Governors of the Israel Bond Organization, at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel. More than 200 Jewish leaders from communities throughout the U.S. and Canada voted unanimously to broaden the scope of the campaign, to provide fully bonded, also economic integration of more than 100,000 immigrants who will enter the country during 1957.

Extensions to Bus Routes in Tel Aviv

Tel Aviv, Sunday. — With the acquisition of new buses by the Dan cooperative, some routes are being extended as from tomorrow (Monday).

Line 2, instead of ending in Rehov Florentin will continue to the Jerusalem Road in Givat Herl.

Line 17 has been extended to reach Kirya, Shalom via Shalom Square.

Line 14 has been extended from Rehov Levinsky to the sea front, as line 8 used to do.

Line 9 has been withdrawn since it now becomes redundant.

Zaken Leibowitz, 54

The death occurred in the Tel Hashomer Hospital last night of Zaken Leibowitz, 54, member of the Executive of Mapam.

Born in Lodz, Poland, he was a veteran of Polish War and arrived in this country in 1920. He is survived by his wife and son.

The funeral cortege will leave Rambam Hospital, Haifa, at 4.30 p.m. today.

High School Pupils In Work Camps

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Several hundred third-year pupils in secondary schools left last week for work camps in new immigrant and border settlements under the National Service Scheme, the Ministry of Education and Culture spokesman has announced.

On June 16, the last group of students will leave for work in the settlements, completing this year's National Service programme, in which 3,000 seventh-year students participated. Each two-week project was under the supervision of the Ministry's Gadna Supervisors, Department and the Gadna Command.

To Stand Trial For Blackmailing Doctor

A man charged with blackmail was yesterday committed for trial in the Jerusalem District Court by District Magistrate Y. Ben-Zak.

The complainant, a doctor, stated that the accused had been extorting various sums of money from him since January, 1956 by threatening to reveal details of an alleged homosexual offence.

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60-year-old Soviet historian, who last autumn directed the "rewriting" of the Jewish history books, died on Tuesday after a long illness. TASH has reported from Moscow.

Ata Strikers Won't Mothball Machines

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Sunday. — Ata strikers will keep the plant's machinery in good condition, Labour Council spokesman said today. However, they would not agree to put the machines in "mothballs" at this would "delay the return to normal work."

Three of the strikers (two of them women) were arrested this morning after a clash in front of the downtown Ata store.

(The Ministry of Labour announced in Jerusalem last night that the Minister, Mr. Mordechai Namir, had invited representatives of both sides to meet with him today in Jerusalem for further negotiations.)

Scores of strikers rushed to the factory in Kfar Ata last night when the five alarm was sounded. It was a false alarm which had been set off by an electrical fault.

The Kfar Ata cooperative grocery store has agreed to sell goods to the strikers, against coupons issued by the workers' committee.

Forty of the workers today started a one-week political education course at the Histradut school, "Oranin," on Mount Carmel.

Meanwhile, the Ministry of Commerce and Industry has approved a licence for the import of a quantity of cotton thread to compensate for the Ata shutdown. Ata normally accounts for 40 per cent of the country's cotton thread production.

Civil Servants To Get Fares Paid

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Cabinet yesterday decided that the transport expenses of civil servants and from their homes in en route trip will be paid by the State, up to a maximum of IL4 a month.

It is estimated that this concession will cost the Exchequer about half a million pounds a year. The issue was regarded by the Government as most urgent, and was the only item dealt with by yesterday's Cabinet apart from the Prime Minister's statement on the Eisenhower Doctrine.

(See Communiqué — Page 1)

Last Tuesday, the civil servants' strike, originally called to press the demand for greater Government participation in paying fares of employees to and from work, and expenses when travelling on official business, was cancelled by the Civil Servants' Union.

The issue has long been the cause of disputes, especially between Haifa postal employees and the Government. Tel Aviv postal employees last Tuesday staged a two-hour strike—despite cancellation of the scheduled stoppage—in sympathy with their striking Haifa colleagues.

Farmers Federation Conference Tomorrow

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — The Farmers' Federation is to open its eighth national conference on Tuesday in the presence of the Prime Minister, the chairman of the conference planning committee, Mr. E. Leibov, M.K., told the press today.

Since the last conference, in 1955, great changes in private farming had occurred. The straw was on fire, Mr. Leibov said. Now, Federation members produce 50-60 per cent of the country's citrus and vine yield and 20-40 per cent of its other crops. Private farming worked a sixth of the land under cultivation.

The new citrus growers' association will not be discussed at the conference. Almost all growers are against it, and there was no place for a new body.

A special post office branch will be opened on Wednesday at the K.O.A. House to mark the opening of the conference.

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Three Galilean Arabs Guilty of Espionage

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Sunday. — Two Arab youths found guilty of espionage were sentenced on Friday to seven years imprisonment each, and a third to one year in jail by the Haifa District Court, Judge Shalom Kassar.

Naim Fayad, 22, and Ali Zari, 20, were sentenced to seven years each, and Faris Kassar, 18, was given a one-year term with an additional three-year suspended sentence. All three are from Galilean villages.

The crimes were committed during January-July, 1956. The accused were detained in July, 1956, and their trial heard in camera, lasted through 11 hearings.

In a closing sentence, Judge Kassar declared that he could not expect the accused to forget their people or their country, but he must recognize the State and identify themselves with it. "They must be good Arabs and faithful citizens of Israel, and do things that complement each other," he said.

Two Jerusalem Boys Plead Guilty to Theft

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Two Jerusalem boys of 18 were brought before Juvenile Court Judge D. Reifin yesterday, accused of a series of housebreaking and robbery offences. The first youth, who pleaded guilty to 22 offences, appeared with his mother.

The second, who was represented by Mr. T. Toussie-Cohen, admitted to nine offences and denied six others.

Police Sergeant M. Schein claimed that the boys were responsible for a series of thefts in the Jerusalem industrial quarter beginning December, 1954. Among the stolen goods were radio and electrical parts, typewriters, as well as sums of money.

The first accused explained that the thefts started one day when they were playing ball near their home in the industrial quarter. The ball rolled into a nearby building and they went in to retrieve it. It was to enter buildings and steal. He said that at first their success encouraged them but now that his friend had been caught, he was glad to be "rid of the business."

The verdict on the first youth was postponed pending the report of the Juvenile Probation Officer. The trial of the second was postponed as Sergeant Schein wanted time to continue the investigation.

Eshkol Regrets Inability To Repeat Lachish Experiment

By PHILIP GILLON, Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Lachish Project cannot be repeated, the Finance Minister, Mr. Levi Eshkol, said on Friday at a meeting of Lachish settlement instructors.

Speaking in his capacity as Director of the Jewish Agency's Settlement Department, Mr. Eshkol said that the project had been made possible only by the decreased immigration during the two years of its existence. In this period, immigration had dropped to 30,000 a year and even lower, whereas today it had risen to 120,000. Working under such pressure made ideal planning impossible.

Even as it was, to complete the settlement of the villages of Lachish IL22m. was needed, and Mr. Eshkol did not see how he was going to provide the money.

When a member of the audience said it could be done by cheques, the Finance Minister replied, "I don't own enough money for the stamps!"

Stamp Money

Mr. Eshkol was informed that total production of the region amounted to an annual IL4.5m. One settler, a sabra, said that a family received IL140 a month not counting the various services.

Mr. Levi Argov, Director of the Lachish project, outlined the economic and sociological benefits which flowed from the careful planning of the entire region. In the first place there was greater economy and efficiency in the provision of services. Each village has its own nursery school, store and nurse, and every four or five villages have a functioning elementary school, a district health centre, a communal hall, gymnasium, such as shoemakers, youth clubs and other major needs which a village cannot afford. Furthermore, each village has settlers from the same place of origin, whether it was the Atlas Mountains or Camblan or Israel itself. Yet there was a free mingling of the different types of Israelis. Sociologically this had proved a highly successful means of integration.

Farmers in Two Years

Mr. Argov pointed out that only 15 per cent of the persons settled in Lachish had left, and of those the majority had joined members of their families already settled in the country, or had abandoned one or two villages which had suffered from the lack of good instructors. Within two years, he thought, the villagers would be real farmers and would no longer need the help of instructors; their land could be divided among them and the project would have achieved its overall objective of true settlement.

ONE PRUTA FOR 200 STERLING

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Supreme Court sitting as the High Court of Justice yesterday called upon the Ministry of Finance to show cause why a Jaffa cobbler should not receive full retroactive payment for 200 Israeli prutas (200) and an Egyptian pounds taken from him. The Treasury paid him only one pruta for this sum.

The cobbler, Mr. Faruk Kadi, through his lawyer, Mr. Ben-Ami, claimed that he obtained the sum legally in 1948. In 1956, police impounded the money, some time later he received one pruta in payment.

The lawyer stated that the "one pruta" payment was really confiscation, and therefore illegal, since the law provides that foreign currency can be confiscated only if a person is found guilty of violating the foreign currency regulations.

WIZO Baby Home to Tend Immigrant Children

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The WIZO Baby Home in Jerusalem is to take in 60 immigrant children from European countries: open a convalescent ward for rheumatic fever and asthma patients; and provide a day school for children treated in the Hadassah hospital in Beersheba.

These plans were announced yesterday by Dr. Haim Kagan at the Home's second anniversary celebration. He said the immigrant children, aged eight to 12, would be looked after for up to eight months while their parents are studying in ulpanim.

At a garden party outside the modern three-story Home yesterday, Mrs. Paula Ben-Gurion, sporting a tan straw hat, distributed sweets to the children from a large basket. Present were a group of 20 WIZO leaders from England, led by Mrs. Marie Bergman, of Newcastle, and some 20 other British tourists.

The Home now cares for 210 children, of whom 120 are between six and five years old. The remaining children were sent by Jerusalem's Hadassah and Hittin Holim hospitals for convalescence. A gift of 200 dolls to the children was yesterday announced by Mrs. Ben-Zion Halperin, of the WIZO group.

52,000 to Study Hebrew at Ulpanim

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The number of adults studying Hebrew in State-supported ulpanim is expected to increase this year from the present 10,000 to 52,000, the Ministry of Education spokesman has announced.

The extension of 2 and full-time ulpanim will begin in June by the Ministry's Language Study Department. The present budget of IL2,000 allocated to the Department will be increased by nearly IL2,000,000.

Courses will range from between four to eight hours a week in ulpanim to 20 hours a week in urban ulpanim. In addition, classes in reading and writing will be opened for illiterate adults.

TEL AVIV AWARDED THREE SCIENCE PRIZES

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — The Municipal Weizmann Prize for Science are to be awarded on Thursday to Prof. E. D. Bergman, for his work in organic chemistry and his furtherance of the pure and applied sciences; to Dr. A. H. Frai, for theoretical research which led to the development of new instruments for measuring electric current; and to Dr. A. Agmon, for his research in analytical mathematics.

The prize-giving ceremony will be held in Elit School at 8 p.m. in the presence of Mayor Haim Levonson.

600 HOMES for veterans and immigrants are to be built in Safad under an agreement between the Municipality and the Labour Ministry.

Water Law Before Knesset Shortly

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — The finishing touches are now being put to the proposed Water Law, and the Bill will come before the Knesset in a few months time, Mr. Z. Neuman, Director of Water Affairs in the Water Authority of the Ministry of Agriculture, told the press today.

The law aims at preserving the country's limited water resources, and ensuring maximum use commensurate with conservation. It proposes the setting up of a National Water Board comprising 20 to 30 members, most of them representatives of the public with a minority of experts and Government representatives.

The Chairman of the Board will be the Minister of Agriculture, who will have a Water Commissioner as his deputy. The Board will have only advisory functions, and decisions will be made by the Minister. It will meet at least three times a year, though members will have the right to call for additional sessions.

Eleven Experts

All water plans will be drawn up by an 11-man planning committee, entirely made up of experts, whose recommendations will be binding on the Minister. In addition, the bill proposes the setting up of separate planning committees for agricultural and urban areas.

The Board will fix norms for water consumption, and will control all resources to ensure rational and efficient use.

It is hoped that water meters will be installed in all urban houses inside of four years from the bill's passage. The draft law was four-and-a-half years in preparation.

Turkey Buys 500 Tons Of Local Insecticide

HAIFA, Sunday. — Electrochemical Industries (Frutrum) Ltd. has received a 500-ton order from Turkey for 500 tons of benzene hexachloride insecticide. The order assures the company's benzene hexachloride plant a steady stream of business for a day basis for some six months.

It is learned from the buyers that the insecticide has been used in Turkey with great success against the spiny bollworm (arisa insulana), the pest that was responsible for much damage to the country's cotton crop in Israel.

A quantity of B.H.C. is being kept in reserve by the company for use in tests in Israel.

Eshkol Regrets Inability To Repeat

Pan-African Conference Off

Morocco Suspicious of Egyptian Hegemony

By STEPHEN HUGHES

PARIS (AP) — The Pan-African conference will not, after all, be held in Tangier. This negative news has caused almost universal surprise. The whole idea seems to be sliding into oblivion.

The idea was to orchestrate a concert of free African nations — Egypt, Ethiopia, Ghana, Liberia, Libya, Morocco, the Sudan and Tunisia — and make the meeting the African equivalent of the Bandung Conference.

Morocco's Foreign Minister, Ahmed Balafout, was one of the principal authors of the scheme, which received the Sultan's blessing. When he attended the independence celebrations in Ghana earlier this year, he obtained the support of fellow statesmen from independent African States.

Mr. Balafout proposed that the conference be held in Tangier, the Moroccan city whose international character, large assembly hall and proximity to the sea make it ideal for such get-togethers. Here the conference would incidentally help the Moroccan tourist trade and give a little impetus to Moroccan prestige generally. It was to be held in May or June, which is a particularly delightful period in Tangier and usually an excellent time for politics.

However, something happened to decide otherwise, and now the conference may be held in Ghana instead, perhaps in October, probably on the basis of a decision made by the African states.

In fact, they hope to be able to make enough noise to drum the "imperialists" — particularly the French — out of Africa altogether, and this is the strongest appeal of the conference. Their major preoccupation is likely to be the Algerian question on which they are sure to agree, at least on the basic issues.

However, agreement was evidently not easy to reach as to the site of the first conference, and this may be a clue to one of the main differences or divisions likely to come to light.

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This reveals the suspicious or distrust of some African nations with regard to the establishment of the hegemony of one over the others. There are, and will be, differences of opinion also on topics such as Communism and neutralism, so that when it is held, the Pan-African conference may produce more speeches than concrete achievements — like the Bandung meeting.

Basic Differences

At the same time they have their differences, physical or geographical, political or religious, and these differences inevitably lead to divisions. Five of the nations are Moslem — Egypt, Libya, Tunisia, Morocco and the Sudan — but not all of them are in the Arab League. Three are monarchies, or four if we count the Tunisian Regency, and three are republics, or four if we count the Algerian Republic. This is a title. These eight countries form a ring around the Sahara, with such gaps as Rio de Oro, French West Africa and Equatorial Guinea. Although the latter territories may keep the free nations physically apart, they are likely to unite them ideologically, because one of the major aims of the Pan-African conference is to beat the "anti-colonialist" drum.

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THE statement printed in "Pravda" that Israel, by her declaration following the talks with Mr. James Richardson in London, was breaking her pledge not to engage in any alliance which was aggressively aimed against the U.S.S.R., must have been written only for the naive and credulous — now rapidly diminishing in number — who believe anything which has a Soviet trademark. A glance at the terms of the Israeli statement is sufficient to show that Israel seeks only to live at peace with the nations round about her and certainly does not wish to become involved in the struggle between the East and the West.

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The "Pravda" statement is circumstantial enough within the limits of its complete misinterpretation of the facts of the situation. It accuses Israel of attempting to make capital out of the Jordan crisis, for example, utterly ignoring the threat to Israel that had been posed by the prospect of a division of Jordan between Egypt and Syria, which might have materialized as a result of specific Soviet moves in this area.

Israel has been constantly seeking peace and security ever since the State was established. That security was desperately threatened by the Czech arms deal two years ago. The position has not been improved by the more recent moves of the Soviets in the area and by their encouragement of the Arab states in their aggressive behaviour. The tone of all organs of Russian propaganda against this country, which has often fallen little short of an open menace to our existence, has also to be reckoned with. If, therefore, Israel can discern any prospects of finding some measure of security in the vaguely worded terms of the Eisenhower Doctrine, the Government here would be doing less than its duty to its citizens if it did not seek to take advantage of them. If the Doctrine says anything definite at all it is that it is designed to help nations in the area preserve their independence.

Against this background, the manoeuvres of Mapam and Abud Ha'avoda are shown up in their true light. These parties have, of course, a very shaky tightrope to walk. They have to avoid being identified with the Communists in out-and-out support of Russia, and yet their old allegiance to a certain ideology makes them want to incline in her direction in every possible way. But the open hostility of the Soviets to Israel only leaves them negative attitudes on which to make their stand. Accordingly they attack the Eisenhower Doctrine, or more particularly Israel's statement in connection with it, while once more avoiding to define clearly just what their position is in relation to the Soviet Union. How the schemers will receive itself in the recent crisis remains to be seen. One is inclined to sympathize with the straightforward view of Mr. Ben-Gurion that collective responsibility means just what it says. So long as they stay in the Government Mapam and Abud Ha'avoda will have to learn not only to live with, but even to support, that which, by a majority vote, will soon become the policy of the nation.

VISION PLUS KNOW-HOW

expansion, including a new city centre in Ramat Gan and new courses in highway construction and industrial laboratory assistants, will have been completed.

Born 43 years ago in the only Jewish family in Harmony, Pennsylvania, Mr. Braude has followed the path of a logical career since he graduated in sociology from the University of Chicago. His close identification with Jewish affairs started in 1932. He was on his way to take up social studies in New York when he was drafted into the U.S. Army. He stayed there for nine years. After being Registrar of the College, he was appointed Post Chaplain at Fort Knox, and from there he went to direct training at Harvard University's Chaplain School. During the war, Mr. Braude was U.S. Army Chaplain and ranking Jewish Chaplain in the European war theatre. With the liberation of Germany came "the most dramatic period in my life." Appointed Minister for the Deaf, he continued to work with D.P.s after leaving the Army as a Lt.-Colonel. "I seem to have stayed longer than most," he observes. His work of rehabilitating D.P.s was carried over into the International Refugee Organization, where he took over a high post in 1947, coming here in December 1948 to view refugee camps.

In 1951 Mr. Braude was in Geneva on his way to Korea to head the U.N. relief programme there when the late Dr. Aron Syngalowsky, the veteran O.R.T. leader, asked him to head World O.R.T. A head of an organization training 20,000 Jewish youth in the world, Mr. Braude hardly has time to rest in his Geneva home. He has far to travel, whether it be Iran or Morocco, where children have been taken off the Jewish streets and converted into jet-plane assembly workers, or Tunisia, where 90 per cent of the Jewish youth have been taken off relief because their children have learned a trade.

"The rescuing of Jews from poverty and an indefinite future and giving them dignity has its satisfactions," Mr. Braude observes.

Readers' Letters

MATRICULATION EXAMS

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, In his column today, Meir Mindlin rightly complains of the curriculum of the secondary schools and quotes a girl in her last school year saying that "you learn and sweat and sweat your head with mountains of facts and figures, shovelling spadesful of sand into your memory without end, etc."

This is not the point various critics, especially staff members of the Hebrew University, have been raising for 15 years against the so-called Humanities Trend (hence a non-humane!) of our secondary schools. (In the Scientific Trend the situation is different because in mathematics, physics, cosmography, etc., not memorizing, but understanding and analyzing is the main point.)

Had the humanistic trend taken the advice to adopt as its central subject, besides Bible and the Hebrew language, a subject which provides intellectual training rather than facts and names (including the monster called "general literature") — be it Latin, Greek, Arabic, etc. — the intensive and not watered down as in the present Humanities Trend, or even English or French on a high level — there would be no reason for this girl's complaint, and the whole little trend would not be considered, as it is now by pupils of both trends, to be inferior to the scientific trend.

Yours, etc.

Prof. A. H. FRANKEL
Jerusalem, May 20.

KU KLUX KLAN

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir — Last Friday Arthur Saul Super devoted his "Marginal Column" to the introduction of the Ku Klux Klan into Britain with all its attendant dangers.

While in no way blaming Mr. Super for being misled — as indeed many people including Members of Parliament were — I would point out that the whole Ku Klux Klan episode, insofar as Britain is concerned, was a hoax perpetrated by one individual: Mr. Ian G. W. Shaw.

On the very day that The Jerusalem Post featured Arthur Saul Super's article, an anonymous letter, signed "Super," was published in the "Jerusalem Chronicle." He denies having referred to Jewish or coloured people and blames the press for mentioning them in their attempt to create a "great sensation."

His action, as he claims, was directed solely against Communism "which I held

MUNICIPAL MARKETS

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Your issue of May 17 reported briefly that a new 50-shop market had been opened in Lydda with the aid of a ILA.77,000 allocation from the municipality.

I am sure that the municipality of Lydda would be delighted to be in the position to expand ILA.77,000 on such a market out of its own budget. As it happens, this allocation was a loan given to Lydda from a special million-pound fund to which the Jewish Agency, Malibu, the Ministry of Labour and Amidar are partners. A primary condition for the granting of such a loan is that the shops and workshops in the market are to be manned by handicapped immigrants. The municipalities in which the markets are built undertake the building. It should be of interest too to know that 33 such municipal markets have already been opened from Kiryat Shmonah to Beerseba, giving employment to 422 hands of families and that 18 more are in the process of being completed, the largest of which is the 100-shop municipal market in Jerusalem. All shop-owners in all the markets are invalid immigrants — some social welfare cases of the Jewish Agency and the municipalities — who have been unemployed and are thus being given a chance to earn an independent livelihood. Malibu, besides being a partner in the fund, provides the shop-keep-

Remember him?

Dr. Dagan will appear again shortly. Watch for him in the coming issues of this newspaper.



The hero of the first scooter trip to Eilat is shown resting on a rough section of the "road."

First Scooter to Eilat

By MEIR BEN DOV

"THIS was in no way a stunt," Meir B., an engineer working in Eilat, insists on telling sceptics who ask him why he chose to travel to Eilat on a scooter. The chief motive behind the trip was to get back to work in Eilat when all airplane routes had been booked up solid weeks in advance. The conditions of the rough 200-kilometre track from Beerseba had no fears for him — in the nine months in which he had used his scooter he had run up more than 10,000 kilometres on some of the roughest tracks in Galilee, getting around to his job.

The trip itself was almost uneventful. At the last moment before he left Tel Aviv, he was asked by a young tourist to take her along. They left Tel Aviv in the morning and reached Beerseba for a late breakfast some 2 1/2 hours later. Some sightseeing here to oblige his passenger and then they were off on the main part of the journey. For safety's sake they teamed up with an armed convoy, but lest it when they paused for refreshments and photographing. At Mitzpe Ramon, overlooking the fabulous crater, they teamed up with another convoy for the breathtaking descent down the serpentine road into the bed of the crater, and then across the Negev wastes where the holes in the road are almost as large as the scooter itself.

Here on one of their picture-taking stops they made an unpleasant discovery — their spare tire was flat — probably as a result of fiddling by some overcurious tourist. They were parked in Beerseba, where they decided that travelling down the Arava alongside the Jordan frontier should not be risked in the late afternoon without a spare tire and therefore stayed overnight at the work camp in Beer Menaha.

Next morning they set out again, refreshed, along the corrugated track to Eilat. After bouncing along slowly and painfully over the ridged surface for some five kilometres they discovered the secret of this road — if you take it at speed you don't notice the corrugations. So they raced across the surface, occasionally bouncing crazily from one sudden ridge to another and sometimes braking madly as a pothole larger than the rest appeared in front of them. Soon they reached the copper mines at Timna and then drove happily and smoothly along the new asphalted road to Eilat.

PEN FRIENDS

MRS. SHIRLEY KOPF, of 1241 Park Boulevard, Queens 2, New York, U.S.A., would like to correspond with several Israeli teen-agers in order to get a cross-section of teen-age interest here in music, art, theatre and sports.

ANIMAL WELFARE

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I have tried to raise the problem of lost dogs but have found no public interest. Now, after you printed M. R. Silverman's straightforward letter, in your issue of April 21, I should like to give my point of view.

I personally do know of the existence of a Dog Home in Haifa and so do my children. This home is very poor, but for such dogs it is a real palace. The reason your correspondent could find where to place the little dog he had found was the lack of good propaganda and organization of these Societies. But I don't think they are to be blamed, either. I think the local authorities should encourage these Societies.

As to the lack of feelings Jews or Oriental people show towards animals, mentioned in M. R. Silverman's letter, I am a fourth-generation Israeli, and I have great love and concern for animals, and my children are growing up with this feeling.

Now, all the children in our vicinity know that a lost or discarded puppy can find food and a home with us, and a few with a home where we find a nursing home. The cruelty they showed towards animals a few years ago has vanished and they have learned to love them.

That said, I can do personally. All the real meat comes from the Education authorities. The deeper the love and concern for animals, the deeper it grows, towards man beings and their sufferings.

Yours, etc.

ADINA KIRSHNER
Haifa, May 6.

JERUSALEM STREET

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — During the nine years in which I lived on my unnamed street adjoining the railroad tracks, where about 200 people live, the condition of the street was a disgrace to Jerusalem. For years I tried in vain to get the street improved.

Capital May Lose Newsboys

Jerusalem Social Cases to be Given Livelihood

By YITZHAK ODED

JERUSALEM'S ubiquitous afternoon newsboys may soon be a thing of the past. Heading at last the repeal of the Municipality's Department of Social Welfare, representatives of the two evening papers have agreed in principle that the newsboys will be gradually replaced by men of 18 to 70 for whom the Social Welfare Department can find no other means of livelihood.

This would be a major change for Jerusalem, accustomed to the sight of dozens of jostlingurchins tearing up and down the streets at noon and in the morning, shouting "Ma-siv, Ye-siv" at the top of their thin lungs. It may also mark the end of an era for the afternoon newspapers, which have made much of their distribution on street sales.

Although in point of fact there seem to be 50 or 60 newsboys in Jerusalem, the official "sales force" of each of the papers is only about 15 boys and a dozen adults, each of whom distribute 50 to 200 copies. Under our child labour legislation no boy can register for work unless he is at least 14 years old and carries a work card (although this provision has only been honoured for the past two years or so, and exceptions are made for 12 and 13-year-olds whose families are cases of genuine hardship).

"Sub-Contractors"

The remaining newsboys are "unofficial entrepreneurs" who take up as sub-contractors from the "licensed operators" and get rid of his papers for him in exchange for part of the earnings. The exact amounts involved seem to vary according to the relative strictness of the two contracting parties, but the magnitude of the transaction can be guessed from the fact that the official newsboy earns 30 per cent on each paper he sells — i.e. 14 pruta on weekdays.

YESTERDAY'S PRESS

Key-Money Not Moral

THE recommendations submitted by the public "key-money" committee, writes Haaretz (non-party), may make the practice legal, but will not make it, for all that, logical or moral. The only way to straighten out the problem is to permit the collection of rents commensurate with the cost of construction and allowing for a decent profit. It would be highly unrealistic, besides, to accept the recommendations to ban key-money in public housing schemes and to deprive prospective emigrants of the right to collect key-money. The campaign against emigration has nothing to do with efforts to solve our housing problem.

In effect, writes Davar (Histadrut), the recommendations would only affirm the official seal of approval to a usage of 20 years' standing. The public could not stand up to the decree that made the practice illegal, for it was a question of supply and demand. But it must be realized that the key-money market is affected by the tendency not so much to leave new homes as to buy them, a need that can be met by more construction. The investment of capital in building is a sort of economic safety valve that sets the pace of economic activity to a large extent. The Government's economic wisdom will be tested by its ability to employ home

building as a directing and regulating factor.

Haaretz (World Mithral) dwells on the demolition, by vandals, of the Yeshiva foundations in the Shimon Quarter of Haifa. We cannot approve the rule of the fist, writes the paper, and if the vandals think that they can deter us they are sadly mistaken. The Haifa Municipality, which granted a permit for the construction and which is meeting today to consider the matter, should not seek a facile solution by offering another site, but must see to it that building on the original site is carried on unmolested. If the police do not guard it against vandalism and fail to hale the vandals into Court, the citizens will themselves have to enforce law and order.

Al Hahadashim (Mapam) points out that this is the first time in the history of our young local administration that the local authorities have failed to submit their budgets for approval. This is not for intransigence but only because of their weariness and inability to keep up their balance-sheet ledger under the burden of absorbing newcomers and the corresponding increase in services without the boon of increased Government grants. The solution lies in a changed approach of the central authority to the needs and jurisdiction of the local administration.

Needless to say, the whole procedure is somewhat unreliable, and fluctuations in the sales force have resulted in losses for the papers at times. This is one reason why some time ago "Ma'ariv" agreed to the Social Welfare Department's suggestion that it take on a few elderly men on an experimental basis. One might expect a man of 60 to be less of a go-getter than a child, but the experiment was not worked out badly even though these older vendors receive 30 per cent of the take instead of 20 per cent only, which was ILA.7 a month for 100 daily copies sold.

No wonder the Social Department, struggling hard to provide a livelihood for hundreds of social cases, is interested in extending the number of elderly men so employed and in gradually eliminating the children, although it advances that no boy will be deprived of the opportunity to sell papers until the background and income of each and every one of the families has been investigated.



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